IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE NINETEENTH DAY OF AUGUST
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.ESWARAIAH

WRIT PETITION NO. 6983 of 2004

Between:

K. Ramamohan Rao, S/o K. Suryanarayana Murthy,
Sri Veera Venkata Satyanarayana Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Annavaram,

East Godavari District.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1. Sri Veera Venkata Satyanarayana Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Annavaram,

East Godavari District, rep. by its Executive Officer.

2. The Commissioner of Endowments, Andhra Pradesh, Tilak Road, Hyderabad.

.....RESPONDENT

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue Writ or Order or direction more in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondent in not considering the case of the petitioner to the post of Public Relations Officer as illegal, arbitrary and against the Provisions of Article 14 and 16 of the Constitution of India and consequentially direct the respondent to consider the case of the petitioner for promotion to the post of Public Relations Officer, from the date on which the post was created with all benefits like granting of arrears of salary etc.

Counsel for the Petitioner: MR.P.V.S.S.S.RAMA RAO

Counsel for the Respondent No.1: SMT.N.INDRANI

Counsel for the Respondent No.2: GP for Endowments

The Court made the following Order:

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE V.ESWARAIAH

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ORDER:

This Writ Petition is filed seeking a Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the respondent in not considering the case of the petitioner to the post of Public Relations Officer as illegal, arbitrary and consequently to direct the respondent to consider the case of the petitioner for promotion to the post of Public Relations Officer, from the date on which the post was created with all benefits like granting of arrears of salary etc.

The case of the petitioner is that he was initially appointed as Junior Assistant in the respondent Devasthanam on daily wage basis, and thereafter, his services were regularized in the year 1984. Subsequently, he was shifted to Reception of the respondent Devasthanam as a Receptionist in the year 1985 and he was promoted as UDC in the year 1989. It is his further case that he was promoted as Superintendent in the year 1995, and in that capacity, he continued as Chief Receptionist in the respondent Devasthanam. The Commissioner of Endowments vide proceedings dated 25-09-2003 sanctioned one post of Public Relations Officer in the time scale of Rs.6350/--Rs13,000/- in the respondent Devasthanam. The petitioner states that he is qualified and eligible to the post of Public Relations Officer, and therefore, made a representation to the respondent Devasthanam on 23-10-2003 to consider his case for appointment to the post of Public Relations Officer. As the said representation was not disposed of, the petitioner has filed the present writ petition.

Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, without expressing any opinion as regards the filling up of the post of Public Relations Officer either by way of promotion or through direct recruitment by the respondent Devasthanam, I feel it is

just and proper to direct the respondent Devasthanam to consider and dispose of the representation dated 23-10-2003 made by the petitioner within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and pass appropriate orders in accordance with law, accordingly I direct to do so.

The Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

19-08-2004

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To

1. The Executive Officer, Sri Veera Venkata Satyanarayana Swamy Vari Devasthanam, Annavaram, East Godavari District.

2. 2CCs to GP for Endowments, High Court Buildings, Hyderabad (o.u.t)

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